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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Bakersfield – 20 Arrested in Large-Scale DEA Operation

(U) Federal authorities arrested 21 individuals, including a suspect from Bakersfield, in a large-scale operation spanning multiple states that resulted in the seizure of dozens of guns and more than 200-pounds of drugs, including thousands of pills containing fentanyl. The arrests followed a 15-month investigation targeting a street gang in the Hamilton Park area of Dallas. Authorities seized 37 guns, 220-pounds of drugs and \$420,000 in assets during Operation Shut Down Corner. The Suspect arrested in Bakersfield faces charges of possession with intent to distribute drugs. The gang ran a highly-efficient drug organization.

SOURCE: 26 January 2022, [KGET News](#)

(U) Salinas – Police Task Force Seize 65,500 Fentanyl Pills

(U) The Salina Police Department advised the results form a month-long investigation call Operation Blu Angel from their Violence Suppression Task Force. During the operation, authorities conducted five search warrants and found 65,500 M30 fentanyl pills, 118-grams of methamphetamine, five firearms, and two stolen vehicles. The street value for the seized pills is estimated to be \$350,000. Authorities advised the drug bust is connected to the Norteno gang, but declined to release the number and identity of those arrested. In 2019, Monterey County experienced 118 fentanyl overdoses that required hospitalization. In 2020, fentanyl overdoses in the county increased to 218.

SOURCE: 26 January 2022, [KTVZ News](#)

(U) San Jose – Four Arrested in 2020 Restaurant Shooting that Killed Two

(U) Authorities arrested four people in connection with a deadly 2020 shooting at an East San Jose restaurant that killed two people and wounding four others. The lengthy police investigation overlapped with a federal drug probe into one of the shooting suspects. The shooting occurred when two groups in an outdoor dining area began shooting each other. The suspects are charged with murder and gang charging enhancements, based on allegations that the shooting was motivated by their association with a gang involved in drug trafficking. Three other people were arrested in connection with the drug investigation in which firearms, \$175,000 in cash, and assorted quantities of meth, cocaine, heroin, marijuana, and fentanyl pills were also seized.

SOURCE: 26 January 2022, [Mercury News](#)

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(U) District of Columbia – Manhunt Continues for Suspect Who Fired at DC Officers, Injuring 1

(U) Washington – A manhunt is underway in DC for a gunman who opened fire on officers Sunday night, wounding one of them. Officers approached the suspect on Quincy Street NW, a police spokeswoman said. When they tried to stop the suspect, he pulled down a ski mask and opened fire, two law enforcement sources told local media on Monday. The injured officer suffered a graze wound to the head and hand, police said. The officer has been released from a hospital. After opening fire, the gunman ran one block up and inside a building, where sources said police recovered the weapon.

SOURCE: 24 January 2022, [NBC Washington](#)

(U) Missouri – Two Officers Shot, Three People in Custody in Ferguson

(U) Ferguson – Authorities advise two St. Louis City Police officers were shot in Ferguson while attempting to apprehend a suspect wanted in connection with an overnight homicide. The two officers were approaching a vehicle when shots were fired. One officer was critically wounded in the abdomen and the other was wounded in the leg. Multiple suspects are in custody. In the past week, two officers at the department were injured in a car wreck and another reserve officer was shot during a traffic stop. St. Louis County is handling the investigation in collaboration with the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department.

SOURCE: 26 January 2022, [Fox News](#)

(U) Puerto Rico – Officials from Puerto Rico's Senate Targeted by Cyberattack

(U) San Juan – Puerto Rico's Senate announced that it was the target of a cyberattack that disabled its internet provider, phone system, and official online page, the latest in a string of similar incidents in recent years. Officials advise there is no evidence that hackers were able to access sensitive information belonging to employees, contractors, or consultants, although the incident is still under investigation. Puerto Rico has struggled with hackers in recent years, with a private company responsible for electricity reporting a cyberattack and an online scam attempting to steal more than \$4 million from government agencies occurring during that period.

SOURCE: 26 January 2022, [ABC News](#)

(U) Texas – Man Who Sold Pistol Used in Synagogue Hostage Crisis Federally Charged

(U) Colleyville – Federal authorities have charged the man who sold Malik Faisal Akram the gun used to kidnap hostages in a Texas synagogue earlier this month. According to the complaint, the suspect allegedly sold Mr. Akram a semiautomatic Taurus G2C pistol on 13 January. Two days later, agents recovered the pistol from Colleyville's Congregation Beth Israel synagogue where Akram held four individuals hostage for several hours before he was fatally shot by federal law enforcement. The suspect, a felon previously convicted of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, faces a federal firearm crime.

SOURCE: 26 January 2022, [US DOJ](#)

(U) Texas – Capital Murder Suspect Arrested in Mexico in Connection with Death of Police Officer

(U) Del Rio – Authorities advise that the capital murder suspect wanted in connection with an ambush of Harris County Pct. 5 Constable's Office Corporal Charles Galloway has been caught in Ciudad Acuña, Mexico. The US Marshals Service and the Gulf Coast Violent Offenders Task Force, in cooperation with Mexican authorities, caught the suspect across the border from Del Rio, Texas. The suspect is charged with capital murder in connection with the shooting that occurred earlier this week. Officer Galloway was a 12-year veteran with the Harris County police agency.

SOURCE: 26 January 2022, [KHOU 11](#)

(U) Texas – California Man Arrested for Human Smuggling after Traffic Stop

(U) San Angelo – Authorities arrested a suspect in Tom Green County after a traffic stop on suspicion of smuggling persons. During the traffic stop, the suspect advised he was traveling with six passengers from San Antonio to California. The officer noted that the route the suspect was taking was not direct and commonly used to avoid Border Patrol checkpoints on Interstate 10 to Las Cruces. The passengers had no visas or identification. Officers called Border Patrol and it was determined the passengers were not in the US legally. The driver and passengers were detained. The driver faces six counts of smuggling of person and a miscellaneous Border Patrol hold.

SOURCE: 25 January 2022, [San Angelo Standard Times](#)

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(U) France – Targets Groups, Websites with Expanded Powers Under Anti-Terror Law

(U) Paris – The French government advised this week it was shutting down another website at odds with “national views,” the latest in a series of steps that rights groups and lawyers say infringe on democratic freedoms. The government has been making increasing use of powers to shut down organizations or groups. In the last two years, there have been 12 such shutdowns, an uptick from seven between 2016 and 2019, according to French public records.

SOURCE: 26 January 2022, [Reuters](#)

(U) Ukraine – Soldier Detained After Five Shot Dead at Military Plant

(U) Dnipro – Ukrainian authorities detained a National Guard soldier for killing five people and injuring five others at a military factory. The incident occurred at a missile factory in the central city of Dnipro during the issuance of weapons to guards. Four servicemen and once civilian woman were killed by the soldier, who was armed with an AK-47 assault rifle and 200 rounds of ammunition. Investigators advised the incident occurred for unknown reasons and are looking into how the soldier passed medical examination that qualified him to access weapons.

SOURCE: 26 January 2022, [Reuters](#)

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